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SAMPLES AND CERTIFICATES (FEB 1988)

When required by the specifications or the Contracting Officer, samples, certificates, and test data shall be submitted after award of the contract, prepaid, in time for proper action by the Contracting Officer or his/her designated representative. Certificates and test data shall be submitted in triplicate to show compliance with materials and construction specified in the contract performance requirements.

Samples shall be submitted in duplicate by the Contractor, except as otherwise specified, to show compliance with the contract requirements. Materials or equipment for which samples, certifications or test data are required shall not be used in the work until approved in writing by the Contracting Officer.

(End of clause)

452.236-77 Emergency Response.

As prescribed in 436.577, the following clause may be used in Forest Service construction contracts:

EMERGENCY RESPONSE (NOV 1996)

- (a) Contractor's Responsibility for Fire Fighting. (1) The Contractor, under the provisions of FAR clause 52.236-9, Protection of Existing Vegetation, Structures, Equipment, Utilities, and Improvements, shall immediately extinguish all fires on the work site other than those fires in use as a part of the work.
- (2) The Contractor may be held liable for all damages and for all costs incurred by the Government for labor, subsistence, equipment, supplies, and transportation deemed necessary to control or suppress a fire set or caused by the Contractor or the Contractor's agents or employees.
- (b) Contractor's Responsibility for Notification in Case of Fire. The Contractor shall immediately notify the Government of any fires sighted on or in the vicinity of the work site.
- (c) Contractor's Responsibility for Responding to Emergencies. When directed by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall allow the Government to temporarily use employees and equipment from the work site for emergency work (anticipated to be restricted to fire fighting). An equitable adjustment for the temporary use of employees and equipment will be made under the Changes clause, FAR 52.243-4.

(End of clause)

452.236-78 Forest Service Standard Specifications for Construction of Roads and Bridges.

As prescribed in 436.578, insert the following clause:

FOREST SERVICE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR CONTSTRUCTION OF ROADS AND BRIDGES (NOV 1996)

The Forest Service Standard Specifications for Construction of Roads and Bridges,

199 are included by reference. The requirements contained in these specifications are hereby made a part of this solicitation and any resultant contract.

(End of clause)

452.236-79 Opted Timber Sale Road Requirements.

As prescribed in 436.579, insert the following clause:

OPTED TIMBER SALE ROAD REQUIREMENTS (NOV 1996)

This contract is for the construction of timber sale road(s) which a timber purchaser has opted to have the Government construct. The Government is obligated to make these roads available to the timber purchaser by _____*. Failure to make these roads available by this date could result in Government liability for delay to the timber purchaser for which the Contractor might become liable should the Contractor fail to complete this contract within the specified and allowed contract time.

(End of clause)

*Contracting Officer shall insert appropriate date.

452.236-80 Firms Ineligible for Award—Construction.

As prescribed in 436.670, insert the following clause:

FIRMS INELIGIBLE FOR AWARD—CONSTRUCTION (NOV 1996)

The firm(s) and its subsidiaries or affiliates signatory to this contract shall be ineligible for award of any construction contract resulting from the design work performed under this contract.

(End of clause)

452.237-70 Loss, Damage, Destruction or Repair.

(a) As prescribed in 437.110(a), insert a clause substantially as follows:

Loss, Damage, Destruction or Repair (FEB 1988)

(a) For equipment furnished under this contract without operator, the Government will assume liability for any loss, damage or destruction of such equipment, not to exceed

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a total of \$____* except that no reimbursement will be made for loss, damage or destruction due to (1) ordinary wear or tear, (2) mechanical failure, or (3) the fault or negligence of the Contractor or the Contractor's agents or employees.

(b) For equipment furnished under this contract with operator, the Government shall not be liable for any loss, damage or destruction of such equipment, except for loss, damage or destruction resulting from the negligent or wrongful act(s) of Government employee(s) while acting within the scope of their employment.

(c) All repairs to equipment furnished under this contract shall be made by the Contractor and reimbursement, if any, shall be determined in accordance with (a) or (b) above. Repairs shall be made promptly and equipment returned to use within ** hours. In lieu of repairing equipment, the Contractor may furnish similar replacement equipment within the time specified. The Contractor may authorize the Government to make repairs upon the request of the Contracting Officer. In such case, the Contractor will be billed for labor and parts costs.

(End of clause)

*Contracting Officer shall insert amount available in current funds to cover potential liability.

**Contracting Officer shall insert appropriate number of hours.

${\bf 452.237\text{--}71 \quad Pre\text{-}Bid/Pre\text{-}Proposal \quad Conference.}$

As prescribed in 437.110(b), insert a provision substantially as follows:

PRE-BID/PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE (FEB 1988)

- (a) The Government is planning a pre-bid/pre-proposal conference, during which potential offerors may obtain a better understanding of the work required.
- (b) Offerors are encouraged to submit all questions in writing at least five (5) days prior to the conference. Questions will be considered at any time prior to or during the conference; however, offerors will be asked to confirm verbal questions in writing. Subsequent to the conference, an amendment to the solicitation containing an abstract of the questions and answers, and a list of attendees, will be disseminated.
- (c) In order to facilitate conference preparations, it is requested that the person named on the Standard Form 33 of this solicitation be contacted and advised of the number of persons who will attend.
- (d) The Government assumes no responsibility for any expense incurred by an offeror prior to contract award.

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(e) Offerors are cautioned that, notwithstanding any remarks or clarifications given at the conference, all terms and conditions of the solicitation remain unchanged unless they are changed by amendment to the solicitation. If the answers to conference questions, or any solicitation amendment, create ambiguities, it is the responsibility of the offeror to seek clarification prior to submitting an offer.

(f)	The	conference	will	be	held:
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Date:	
Time:	
Location:	

(End of clause)

452.237-73 Equipment Inspection Visit.

As prescribed in 437.110(c), insert the following provision:

EQUIPMENT INSPECTION VISIT (FEB 1988)

Offerors are urged and expected to inspect the equipment on which maintenance or repairs are to be performed and to satisfy themselves regarding all conditions that may affect the cost of contract performance, to the extent that the information is reasonably obtainable. In no event shall failure to inspect the equipment constitute grounds for a claim after contract award.

Offerors	are	invited	to	inspect	the	*
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(End of clause)

*Contracting Officer shall insert appropriate data.

452.237-74 Key Personnel.

As prescribed in 437.110(d), insert a clause substantially as follows:

KEY PERSONNEL (FEB 1988)

- (a) The Contractor shall assign to this contract the following key personnel:
- (b) During the first ninety (90) days of performance, the Contractor shall make no substitution is necessitated by illness, death, or termination of employment. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer within 15 calendar days after the occurrence of any of these events and provide the information required by paragraph (c) below. After the initial 90-day period, the Contractor shall submit the information required by paragraph (c) to the Contracting Officer at least 15 days prior to making any permanent substitutions.
- (c) The Contractor shall provide a detailed explanation of the circumstances necessitating the proposed substitutions, complete